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Northeastern Hereford Breeders Hold Field Day

WARWICK, N.Y. — Iron Forge Farms was blessed with bright sunshine and low humidity as it hosted the Northeastern Hereford Breeders Field day earlier this month.

The day was filled with information on the cattle industry. The many guest speakers presented a variety of topics that ranged from examining the Hereford breed from the '50s to the '90s, to demonstrations of the advanced technologies of ultrasound and embryo transfer.

Emcee Dale Stith led off the program with a challenge to all breeders to get together as one group in the Northeast and serve notice that there are cattle east of the Mississippi River.

Craig Huffhines, chairman of

the American Hereford Association, followed with his comments on the strategy and direction of the breed and the roles both the breeder and national association play in that alliance. He pointed out the fact that northeastern breeders need to work together as a region to create a greater benefit for the breeders in this part of the country.

This was followed by a presentation of the breed from the '50s, '70s and '90s by Dr. Tom Field of Colorado State University. His research on cattle from each of the above generations has been conducted by actually growing cattle with semen from each of the genera-

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Tad Francis age 12, and Tathan Francis age 9, do a little grooming on the Iron Forge Farm's new herd sire OBF Mercedes Benz.

Students Explore Agriculture Science Opportunities At Tulpehocken

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BERNVILLE (Berks Co.) — A host of opportunities were explored by students participating in SAE (Supervised Agriculture Experience) Orientations scheduled in July and August.

Students enrolled in the Agriculture Biology course in the Tulpehocken School District are encouraged to choose and participate in one of the dates offered. The students are incoming ninth graders enrolled in the science/agriculture course desir-

ing an SAE credit and the opportunity it provides.

The goal of the activity is to initiate or build on a student's interest by exposing them to varied research-related practicums. Research practicums become part of the individual student's projects throughout the school year. Learning to develop a career relationship is an important component of the project.

On the day's agenda appeared four topics including animal science, food science, plant science and environment-

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Richard Hoffman, left, and Luke Troutman perform the twin scale propagation experiment in the supervised agriculture experience orientations program at Tulpehocken High School.

Farmers Need To Sign Up At Last, Tobacco Growers May Have A Market

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Growers haven't left their worries in the field, not in this tobacco growing season.

Actually, they've left them in the barns.

Four to five million pounds of worries.

Those "worries" are the amount of pounds of tobacco that haven't been sold in Lancaster County. Fortunately for most growers, the tobacco waits, dry and "heat" free, and can remain that way for some time to come.

For those who stripped the tobacco wet, the material is breaking down.

However, those worries could soon be a thing of the past as a new tobacco grower marketing organization, similar to a milk cooperative, comes into being.

Called the Pennsylvania Tobacco Grower Marketing Organization, the idea for the organization was spearheaded by a Lancaster County tobacco grower and president of the Lancaster County Farm Bureau.

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Called the Pennsylvania Tobacco Grower Marketing Organization, the idea for the organization was spearheaded by Jane Balmer, Lancaster County tobacco grower and president of the Lancaster County Farm Bureau. Photo by Andy Andrews